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ALEXANDRIA:

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We have already called attention to the reported project, on the part of those interested in the aggrandisement of Baltimore, to increase the toll on COAL transported on the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal. This is a subject so important, not only to the interests of the Canal-to the interests of the State of Virginia in that Canal-to those engaged in the mining and transportation of Coal-to the owners of Coal Mines-and to the prosperity of our own city, that it has naturally created much attention and comment. In another column will be found the memorial of the Coal Companies to the Maryland Commissioners of Public Works, showing the impropriety and injustice of the proposed movement. We believe that representations have been made to the Governor of this State, touching the matter, and that the Governor will do all that he can, within the sphere of his duty, to prevent the consummation of the scheme.

If the "Whig Speech," which the Richmond Enquirer, the other day, put into the mouth of the Whig candidate for Governor, was a fair hit at the President and his policy. it must be admitted that the Letter of Mr. Buchanan written in 1852, and now republished, and going the rounds of the papers, is equally as fair a one at the Democratic Administration of 1859! So that, it is not even necessary now to go to the Democratic oppouents of the President for weapons of attack. but the President himself furnishes the means to contrast most unfavorably his theoretical opinions when he was out of power, with the results of his policy whilst in power! In that letter he declared, with every manifestation of alarm, that the expenditures of the government had then "reached the enormous sum of tiety millions of dollars per annum. and unless arrested in their advance by the strong arm of the Democracy of the country. might in the course of a few years, REACH ONE | ternal improvements—he will be perfectly HUNDRED MILLIONS." Alas, the "strong arm of the Democracy" was interposed, and yet, ing Whig! notwithstanding, the acme of enormity has nearly been attained! But Mr. Buchanan, in 1852, went on further to say, that "he was convinced the expenditures ought to be considerably reduced below the then standard (\$50,000,000)"-that a "strong tendency to- Columbia, from which it appears that but litevil of the day"-that "money from the Treasurv is constantly demanded to enrich speculators, agents, and contractors," and he indignantly asked, "What will be the inevitable consequence of such lavish expenditure?" And this question he answers by predicting | Senate on this subject is now on the Spearuin to the doctrine of State rights, and to | ker's table. the country! It is only necessary to compare 1852 with 1859, so far as the expenditures of the government are concerned, to see with what force and effect this letter can be used now, in political discussions.

A fire broke out in the Carpenter's shop of Mr. Wm. M. Baggott, in Fredericksburg, on Tuesday morning, which destroyed the shop and all the tools, lumber, &c., in it-loss about \$2,500. Two tenements adjoining were also destroyed-insured. Mr. Montgomery's slaughter house, a square off, caught from the flakes of fire carried by the wind, and was burned, and the residences of Mr. Wm. Slaughter, Mr. Ames, Mr. Hazard, Mrs. Little, and several other houses, were on fire at one time, and had a narrow escape. The Engines were unable to throw a drop of water upon the burning houses, as, at first urday last by a mulatto named William the hose did not reach the river, and then Beekly. A woman named Catharine Meyers when it did, the suction machine could not

A correspondent, in a letter from Leavenworth, Kansas Territory, dated January 25, gives us full details of the proceedings in that city, consequent upon the abduction of a runaway slave, and the excitement caused by the affair, for which we have not room. He describes the conduct of the abolitionists as very uproarious, illegal and decreditable. They broke open the door of the house, where the runaway was confined, and carried him off, before those on the watch to prevent their movements, had notice of what was going on. An "indignation meeting" was called in Leavenworth, on the 25th. Kansas troubles and disturbances appear to be never ending.

The statement purporting to give an account of the proceedings had in a recent Senatorial Democratic Caucus, in relation to the modification of the tariff, was inaccurate in so far as it reported Mr. Hunter to have said that he did not consider the mode of assessing the duties, a party test. Mr. Hunter, then, does consider the question of ad valorem and specific duties, "a party test."-Are we right in so understanding it? If so, to which party does Mr. Buchanan belong, and in which is Mr. Secretary Cobb to be classed? Are the Tariff Democrats of Pennsylvania to be ruled out of the party to which Senator Hunter is attached?

In the House of Representatives, on Tuesday, the HOMESTEAD bill was PASSED, by a vote of 120 to 76. This bill proposes to give to every citizen, who is at the head of a family, and to such as have declared their intention to become citizens, the right to enter a quarter section of land; the location to be on lands subject to entry, at one dollar tom-house officers; his boot-legs were stuffed and a quarter per acre. We believe all the members from Virginia, without hesitation,

voted against this bill. The New York Ledger received to-day, is considered to be the largest even brought to mights. Fifty years ago, not one girl in 10(8) the different coal regions, the Schurlkill scal contains No. 7 of Everett's Mount Vernon that market. papers.

News of the Day.

The bill, which has already passed the

purpose of founding Agricultural Colleges.

gress to make these grants to the several

States, which, it was argued, would fail to

derive any substantial benefit from such do-

sions of the bill, they would enure almost

solely to the advantage of land speculators,

besides squandering a large portion of the

The Washington Union, in regretting the

defeat of the Pacific Railroad bill-declaring

that there is no good reason for staving it

off-that the road is necessary, and will cer-

tainly command majorities in both Houses

of Congress in the next four years-that Mr.

Gwin is entitled to every commendation for

his zeal in behalf of the measure, &c., &c.,

"there is a class of politicians in this coun-

try with whom nothing but the Dyspersia is

CONSTITUTIONAL!" The gentlemen of the

State Rights Democratic wing, opposed to

proceed to the Gulf of Mexico. The rumor,

he said, had lovered the funds. It was,

candidate for Governor in Virginia, will be a

gentleman, every inch of him-he will be

The views of the President and the Secre-

tary of the Treasury, with regard to the Tar-

iff and the Finances, expected every day to

Another murder trial is now going on in

seven persons are under trial in the Balti-

more County Criminal Court, charged with

The coilers of a grist and saw mill near

Cincinnati, exploded on Saturday last, by

An Italian named Biaggio Fagacci was

shot dead in the street at Cincinnati, on Sat-

Hodge, seriously injured.

was the cause of the murder.

near Llangollen.

county, and there shot into a ditch."

confidence that the peaceful relations be-

tween France and Austria will not be dis-

J. M. Spullock, esq., has been confirmed,

Marshal for the district of Georgia, vice

Messrs. Galt & Bro. are preparing in their

exquisite style, a set of silver plate to be pre-

election resulted in the election of Sander-

son, democrat, for mayor over Burrowes, by

The British brig Bull has arrived at Bos

ton from Gibralter, having been 90 days out.

For six weeks of the voyage the crew had but

An Englishman was recently detected in

the act of smuggling by the New York cus-

hog weighing 1,235 pounds, fed and raised by

vious to his retirement from Congress.

7 majority. The vote was heavy.

one biscuit per meal.

murder in the Eighth Ward riots, in 1857.

nevertheless, unterly destitute of foundation.

their "constitutional" complaint.

public domain.

House of Representatives, making donations "To show the very age and body of the TIMES." To the Board of Commissioners of Public of public lands to the several States for the The Interior Department is in receipt of a was before the Senate on Tuesday, and disof the commission to survey and establish cussed by Messrs, Stuart, Harlan, Simmons, Collamer, Hale, and others, in support of its United States. He says that the parallel, provisions, and by Messrs. Rice, Mason, from which the survey commences, has been Green, Davis, and others, in opposition to its adoption. In the affirmative, says the Naat work on the base line, and he hopes in a tional Intelligencer, it was maintained that few weeks to be able to advise the Depart-Congress had full power to dispose of the ment of the establishment of the initial point public lands for the purpose indicated.

dary as far as it can be done from the valley which, by fostering agricultural education, of the Rio Grande. would tend to develop the resources and promote the properity of the country. The agriculturists were interested in the diffusion inst., state that the Pacific Railroad Convention had been in session several days. Preof useful knowledge on the subject of their sident Foulkes was detained till the 16th day vocation, and it was time that Congress, after the appointed time for the settlement, while legislating for other branches of indusbut the arbitration committee waited till the prevent the adoption of any such suicida. try, should pay some attention to the claims preferred by the most numerous and the most 17th, when President Foulkes satisfied them important of all. On the other hand, the bill of his ability to pay the award, and the com- assuredly prove. was opposed both in its principles and mittee proceeded to the adjustment and auditdetails; on the former ground because of an ing of the claims. alleged want of power on the part of Con-

The one hundred and twenty-second anniversary of the birth of Thomas Paine, author nations, as because of the defective provi- Philadelphia, by a ball, a supper, and an ora- notwithstanding the superior quality of the tion. The Hall was decorated with national badges and emblems, and ornamented with portraits of Robt, Owen, Thomas Paine, Frances Wright, Thomas Illman, Rich. Carlisle, Rev. Robt. Taylor, Joseph Barker, and

Rev. Dr. Curtis who lost his life by the burning of the North Carolina, is said to have been the fate of all who have engaged in the busihurrying home to attend the funeral of a member of his family. He was a gentleman of voiished manners, a fine writer, and a clergyman of the Baptist church. Formerly, he was connected with the publication of the . Eclectic Review" in London, and a reporter of the winds up with the significant remark that debates in the British Parliament.

The funeral of Mr. Prescott took place in Boston, at 3 o'clock on Monday afternoon, and his remains were placed under St. Paul's the Road, may put that in their pipes and Church, v'ere sleep so many of the illustrismoke it! It may, or may not, cure them of our dead The Boston press and people bear nies to the virtues, industry and distinguish ed worth of the historian

The report of the authorized joint operations The Chicago Herald answers Senator Douof the fleets of England and France against glas with severity, in defending those gentlethe Governor of Vera Cruz, do not seem to men whom he is understood to have assailtally with Mr. Dallas' notes of conversation ed in their personal character with so great with the Earl of Malmesbury. Subjoined bitterness, in executive session of the Senate, is an extract: "The rumor of the morning, on Friday of the week before last.

A gasometer in the 11 A. M. train for oming direct from Paris, was adverted to -that an Anglo-French fleet had orders to Philadelphia, excluded at Jersey city, on Wednesday, as the passengers were about manufacturers eastward, who forecrive purtaking their seats, and filled the car with One of the employees lit a match and applied it to the burners, to ascertain the The Richmond Whig says that the Whig leak. On opening the closet door an explosion took place, filling the car with flame and smoke, and setting fire the hair of a Miss tia coal, and it is only by taking the risks of able, active, energetic, a splendid stumper, Fowler, of New York, besides burning some

and more than a match for Mr. Letcher-he An atrocious murder was committed will be a thorough and zealous friend of in-Saturday, in the Fourth Ward, New York, a sound on the slavery question-and he will man having beaten his wife to death. The Troy with regard to to the Peonsylvania bi name of the murderer is John Murphy, who tuminous coal, which is delivered there as be, besides, a noble, glorious, uncompromistogether with his wife and children, and The President has sent to the Senate, in | several brothers with their wives and children, occupied two adjoining rooms in the addition to the former statement showing the tenement house rear of No 32 Oak street condition of our claims against foreign gov-The murderous instrument was a leather ernments, a list of our many settled and un-

of her wearing apparel.

strup, which he usually wore around his body. settled accounts with the late Republic of The marine losses for the past month show extravagance was the great political tie progress has been made in the liquidation an aggregate of 46 vessels, of which 8 were schooners, I a steamer, and I a steam tag. The House of Representatives has referred The total value of property lost was one milfrom one hundred and seventeen thousand purpose of restoring a portion of the trade matter their FRENCH SPOLIATION bill to the Committee of the Whole, for discussion, which, of dollars. This is the value of the property totally lost, exclusive of damage to vessels course, sets it back. The bill passed by the not amounting to a total loss, and of partial

losses of cargo. Mr Bentley, the celebrated London patlisher, proposes to commence in March the be sent in to Congress, are looked for with playing the literary acquisitions of individdefinite policy and be a channel for serious and vesponsible counsel, with the thoughtful the Ba'timore City Criminal Court; and and intelligent portion of the community.

All the ice companies between New York and Albany have been busily engaged during. Coal field almost entirely from the advantages, and acquisition of territory, coupled with a sorrow humbles itself in obedience before the past two days in barvesting their crop of transportation by canal. for next summer. The ice already gathered is said to be of a quality much superior to that gathered last winter, is clear and solid. and ranges from 10 to 20 inches in thickness. which two young men named Cook and Hall were inspattly killed, and a man named Most of the houses are already filled.

There will be a time when originality will give out, and nothing new be invented .--Fur garters, says the Portsmouth Transters" right out, after a long mental conflict The Boston Liberator says that a donation

of \$5,000 has recently been placed in the A letter from Concord, New Hampshire, of the 28th January, says:- "We have bad a hands of Wendell Phillips, to be used, principal and interest, for the woman's rights ing, and full ten inches of snew have fatien. Her Majesty Queen Victoria has been making in the woods, fields and pastures. pleased to accord her bounty of three pounds, | well migh three feet upon a level. The Winter thus far, in this state has been a hard to Elizabeth Jones, who was recently delivone, more than usually coid, yet abounding ered of three children at a birth, at Trevor. in good sleighing.

The following has been received from Lord Campbell says it is law in England, that a just who cannot agree "may be lock- foreign journals are speaking of young Mortara, I will imitate their example. He ened up during the session of court, and then carried in a cart to the borders of the next tered the school of the regular prebends of Private letters by the Arabia state with turn home. The Pope pays for his education out of his private purse "

Col. Bonneville and Superintendent Collins arrived at Santa Fe on the 6th instant, having concluded a treaty of peace with the Navajoes, the terms of which are highly advantageous to the United States. Licut. Stewart, removed, in consequence of his al- Beale's party was at Hatch's runche recuper ating.

leged want of vigilance in the Wanderer case. Mr. Shdell in the few remarks made by him in the Senate in relation to his thirty million bill, took estectal pains to reneve the sented by friends to Joshua R. Giddings, pre-President from all responsibility for the measure, by declaring that he had not consulted the Executive in regard to it. At Lancaster, Pa., Feb. 1, the municipal

The new and spacious steamer George Weems, has been chartered by the Norf-4k Steamboat Company to take the piace of the pavenue from coal of nearly \$0.0,000. steamer North Carolina, and will run alternately with the steamer Georgia until the repairs of the Louisiana are completed.

It is stated that proposals have been made to Mr. Charles Dickens, to induce him to faor the United Sates with a visit, for the purpose of delivering a course of lectures and

Two centuries ago, not one person in 100 There is on exhibition in Philadelphia a wore stockings. Pifty years ago, not one

Coal Trade of the Chesapeake & Ohio Canal.

Works of Margland : The undersigned, being largely engaged letter from John H. Clark, Superintendent in mining coal in Alleghany county, and in transporting the same, via Chesapcake the boundaries between the Territories of the and Ohio Canal to tidewater, learn with much anxiety that it is contemplated to advance the present rates of toll on that Canal, for the alleged purpose of equalizing the rate, of fived approximately and the party are now transportation between the Canal to George-teeling of their principal fre who town and Alexandria, and the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad to Baltimore. Deeply convinced that any measure tending to increase and the tracing and marking of the boun- the present cost of bringing coal to tide-water, will be destructive to their best interests and to the coal trade of Alleghany county in Advices from Marshall, Texas, to the 21st general, whilst it would utterly fail of its object in turning back any portion of the trade from the Canal to the Railroad, the undersigned beg respectfully to submit the following remarks to your earnest consideration, hoping that your honorable Board will

measure, as an increase of tolls would most

The experience of mining enterprises in

Alleghany county, unfortunately shows that hey have been far from profit ble to those who have ventured their capital in the business, and that disappointment and failure of "The Age of Reason," was celebrated in have been the rule rather than the exception. coal, and the remarkable ratural Socilities which the position of the coal in Adeghaov county presents; and this state of things can not be charged to either want of skill, enterprise, or capital, for all these have be a most iberally devoted to the development of that region, and yet a perpetual and unrewarded ness. The difficulty lies solely in the great remoteness of the Alleghany coal field from Tide-water, and the only possible way of preserving and fostering the coal trade, is by keeping the charges for transportation doy to the ...inimum, otherwise the coal scade of Maryland, except for mere local resposes, must become reduced to a most insign ficant amount if not stire extinct. It is into to and could be experied quality of the Mayers sufficient notions to keep the cause is unset efficient condition, but also to leave land coul to overcome entirely the natural liftiguities arising from its remoteness from market-to a certain point this may be lone the price at which the Maryland can't be sold in the greatest markets is

by the prices of anthracite in New York, of the Nova Scotia coal in Eastern markets, or Broad Top bituminous coal in Philadelphia, and of the Blossburg Lituminous coal at Albany and Troy.

The largest consumers in New York are swayed in their choice between Cumberland and Anthracae coals by the difference of a few cents beyond the ascertained relative values of the two kinds of coal, which has been established at \$1 per ton. The iron chased largely of Cumberland call, have, since the establishment of the resprocity treaty, which admits and from the provinces free of duty into the United States, substituted, in great measure, the Nova So. Maryland coal operators have been enabled of late to retain any footbold for the produce

of their mines in the castern markets. The same state of things exists in Albany and very low prices via the Eric canal. The Philadelphia and Trenton markets are almost entirely lost to Maryland in consequence of the introduction of the Broad Tot nous coal from Pennsylvania. Thus the market for Maryland coal has been me great ly circumscribed, and in this state of things, which demands our number efforts to sustain with a material advance of tells upon the tipe Mormons were habit to indictment for Chesapeake and this canal, for the avowed offences covered by the President's process invincible obstinacy condemn it as injurious. Raltimore

had have not varied for some years, and so case a Saturday, and we hear protests that it cent a drink as the purest milk, from which long as the Baltimore and Ohio Entrond shall not change his tariff points. He will Company manufactured less and reasonable send in a special message this week, strong- with they Coffee in the place of its prepara charges for transportation. Bultomore had be resusserting the doctrines of his message, thou and the good God will have over thee the largest pertion of the business, and the The rumor of a rupture of his Cabinet on and participate in thy feast. There the publication of a Quarterly Review, which he Coal trade from Alleghany county was her this question has been revived and watermore graces of the saloon, the luxury of life, the promises shall not be a mere vehicle for dis- | ing developed with a stead | v increasing tons | solar of foundation. It is a thing of not unhage, notwithstanding the fact that the Balti- like's engrence. ual writers, but which shall represent some more and Ohio Kadr and Company, for the purpose of preventing any part of their road, weeks, has been visited by promunent Demos from becoming tributary to the Causa, did cracic politicians from all parts of the counby a system of almost probabilities tells over try. that portion of their road from Piedmont to be universal that the lending issues of the Cumberland, exclude a large portion of the next Presidential canvass will be the tariff

In an evil hour, the Directors of the Bullithe most extrest appeals of the coal opera- ment to the Pennsylvania judgeship, made tors, who saw their best interests endangered by that policy, advanced their charges for freight to a norm beyond what the canal, the House in favor of the passage of the could bear and the consequence was an almost immediate falling off in the trade, and reference, under the decision of the speaker the prompt and active development of the bis to the committee on the whole on the state cript, are the latest agony-we say "gar- tuminous coal pits of Eastern Pennselvania! Under these circumstances, no other resource as to its propriety. We enught a glimpse of was left to the Maryland coal operators but one of these articles as a fair townswoman | the Chesapeake and Ohio Canai, and for the was crossing one of our unpaved streets yes- purpose of availing of this, they created for themselves new facilities where required such as the extension of the Mount Savage Railroad into the valley of George's Creek and with the view to insuring regular nave severe snow-storm since II o'clock last even- gation upon the canal, which had been fromently interrupted by freshets and the enthree safety of which was seriously threaten ed by the precari us condition of lams Nos. 4 and 5, they agreed to farmish the means for their being built of substantial musourv.

It was with the greatest reluctance that the undersigned vickied to the earnest appeaks of the President and Threaters of the Rome, dated the 7th of January 'As the Canal Company to make this advance of the onmount danger of losing Canal nariga- is ature. the interests of the Canad and Coal trude of the President and Directors of the Canal Company together with their assurances that they would, during their term of office. discountenance any advance of tells on coal. (Conscitution, (And here the understand cannot refram from expressing the r stronger and regret that this ban, which secures the completion of dams Nos. 4 and 17, and without which the Canas would have been wholly unverne in for coal business, should have been made a ground of compaint against the very parties who by their efforts and personal inflaence succeeded in blaining to

The Baitimers and Onio Railread Company have discovered too late the fatal error the committed in increasing the freights on coal 50 cents per ion, and although early in the year, they returned to their former charges, yet the result was a loss of gross | the party vain does the President of that Company attemps in his annual Report to ascribe this enormous loss of revenue to a fargely reduced consumption of coal, grow by on the general depression of business, and still more in vain does he attempt to administer consolation to his disappointed Stockholders. by pointing out to them that the Reading public readings. As the compensation named is very high, it is thought that he may "that the depression in the coal interest is not confined to the Baltimore and Ohn, Rail. road." The facts are otherwise, and speak loudly against him and his fatal pilicy. The coal statistics of the year 1858, show a Mr. Bishop, of Lancaster county, Pa., which boy in 1000 was allowed to run at large at considerable increase in the production of all held alone excepted, which lost about 120 -

000 tons in 1858. The avenues to market from the most important coal region, are the Reading tailroad and the Schvulkiti Canal. By an equally un-ise policy as that of the Baltimore and Once Various and the Reading Railroad (meany was rew 1858 from their coal transporters or an ad-

sotages which they had heretofore enjoyed. the consequence of which was precisely the same as that experienced by the Ban m -and Onio Railroad they alienated transferred their business as 'a as key could to the Schuyit I Canal. the loss of tonage of the Beading and on 1858 was 166, 907 tons, whilst an Schuelkill canal ac turily gained 47,8 Antworst Schurckill region less the largely the other

Scranton, Lackewanna are, the Lehigh increased their productions more than double of what the Scouylkill region had lost by the is apt to produce watchfulness and irregu- the Democratic party to be correct, and while pristaken policy of the Reading Railroad .-The reference of the President of the Baltimore and Obio Railroad Company to the Reading Railroad for a justification of the reso ts of his policy, is therefore a most unfortunate one

rade which toeir permanas course has deen from Baltimore, it is now argest by the Baltimore and One Rail and Commany that the Chesapeake and con tanal ompany shall adopt the same is at error as timerease the tol amon the tall all as as to · In lawre and Ob-Raircood: a sure your II de rabie. Board of

a constant of the other of the n of the a ra' nek to Baltistruggle for bare existence has thus far been more. The only such a measure would be a proportionate diminution of the coal trace from Maryland and its inone lime transfer to Perusylvania

The undersigned firmly believe that with the present races of roll, the canal will have oal tomage this year that the sent boas espacits can accommodate, and mat this will readily merease without discreting from Bais more her due proportion of the trade, and is an incrycarwall yield a second

et of its creation, namely: the developmen of the great mineral resources of Western Maryland. But so small is the margin of profit to the coal operators that any advance in the tolls will be productive of the very reverse of these beneficent results and seriously rejure the best interests of the undersigned and check in st effectually the growth of the coal trade from Alleghany cons-Very respectful V.

· guelby the leading Coal Companies of Md.]

Washington Items

The Washington Star says: - "Vesterday. the Senate's Committee on Public Lands had under consideration the noncontion of Mr. Mandevoie, to be the Surveyor General of Caldernin which is said to have been adve body, which while they may not amount to called before them by Senator Geoin and the Hon. Mr. Scott, and opposed by Senatar freights and insurance themselves, that the Briderick and the Him Mr. Mckibben in a 1 is to that extent nature designed. somewhat heated controversy. Mr. Moude ville's offence is believed to have been his opensation to be uplassed at home.

The Washington States says -"In the Saturday last, a gentleman in one of the from sents, accompanied by a lady, was neticel to keep his arm around her neck, and t was only when a polite note was addressed ging in the House was contrary to the roles thereof that he took away his arm after

The toils on the Chesapeake and Ohio Carleyasperated at the action of the Senate can and noblest society. Coffee is even as inno-

Washington, for the last three or four The sentiment among them argests to bold and energetic foreign poher-

There is no truth whatever in the report of more and Ohio Raircoal Company, deaf to the probability of Judge Black's appoint is health. Let this be the answer of those vacant by the resognation of Judge fewin

Although there is evidently a majority in Senate French speciation bill, its necessary of the Union, may be regarded as conclusive fools, who condemn without foundation." of us defeat.

The House commuttee on territories have agreed to report a ball for the establishment ascrabed to it by its enlogist. When moderof territorial government in Jefferson Territory, embracing the Pike's Peake country.

Census and Statistics of Va.

The Constitution of Virginia provides that "the tieneral Assembly at intervals of five years from the dates of the returns of the census of the Unite! States, shall cause to be taken a census and such statistics of this State as may be presented by baw; which census and statistics shall be returned to the the systems of some persons it causes irrita-Secretary of the Common wealth, who shall belity, and tremors of the extremities. Incompare and extrest the returns and report

money and they were influenced to do so by tirely neglected and lost sight of by the Log- case copious potations of it have been the We beneve a full was introduced tion altogether, unless these dates were at at the last session, but never became a law; causes dyspepsia by irritating the stomach, St. John, of Lateran, three weeks since. He lonce permanently secured, and by their for what reason is best known to the mem-St. John, of Lateran, three weeks since. The reliance upon the high honor and deviation to bers. This procise upon the high honor and deviation to bers. This procise upon the hinding leads to serious decorgement of the organ itapon the General Assembly as any other of the Constitution, and to disregard its require. healthy functions. ments is a direlection of duty, as flagrant as the violation of any of the provisions of the

It is to be hoped that the next General Assembly will make provision for carrying tute cold water at their meals, they will beinto effect this charse of the Constitution. Bickmond Innuerer.

Conventions in the Congressional Districts. We extract the following from the pri-

vate letter of an esteemed friend. 'It seems to me to be very unportant that the Democratic press throughout the State fulness, they are very pleasant, and are at- this day dissolved by mutual consent. should arge the necessity of Conventions in | tended with a refreshing influence, but in | the Congressional D stricts where there is a health they should never be taken in preferprobability of a plurality of Democratic can- ence to water or milk. To these who are adates in order to secure the functe unity of unaccustomed to their use they form a very

bur views with reference to the necessity of Conventions in the case abouted to by our friend, sincide strictly with his own and we Tea and Coffee is a whimsical habit, and processe in a short time present of our views that it cannot, in any way, conduce to the at length upon the subject -Rich Exam'r.

POR BENT -The Head of FE AZER FISH ERY, opposite Alexandron. To a responsible an tor rent will be moderate. Also, BELLE-I IEW F SHEET, joining the above. The two &c., apply in person, or by letter, to THOS, W. BERRY, Washington, D. C.

ian 22-2awow TOTICE .- All those wishing to buy bargains in Dry, Fancy, and Millinery GOODS, Furs. Hostery, Gloves, &c., are requested to call and ex-smine our stock, which we are selling off at greatly

reduced prices, to make room for a Spring stock.
feb 1 S. & W. MEVENBERO, Sarepta Hall.

Alexandria, February 2nd, 1859.

COMMUNICATED.

Tea and Coffee By J. B. JOHNSON. In consequence of the extensive use of Tea and Coffee as substitutes for Water at meals, appeared in the Gazette of Monday, has he question is presented-"Does the use of given general satisfaction to the Whigs, and or of these articles as a beverage assist or at is hoped that the suggestion therein regard digestion?" Experience and obsertained, will be acted upon. Let a Convent. youn teach that their use, not only does not be held, and let every county in the book augment digestion, but, defers it by over- be fully represented! Neither of the canddistending the stomach with fluid and by dates at present before us would, if elected disordering the economy of the general sys- advocate, or in any way carry out, the tier-

tem by their remote effect on the brain. Of all the varieties of Tea, the Green is and it becomes us as men, having the good the most injurious to the stomach. The pe- of our country and its prosperity at heart

as system is owing to the volatile oil which office who will earry out our principles, manit contains. When used even moderately, it of which are acknowledged by a portion larity of the action of the heart and arteries. some are even striving to have engrated The wak fulness which it causes is familiar | upon their platform. A in ghty, and, I true to those who use it, and who have been de- successful effort, is being made to revive and prived of many hours of quiet sleep by in- re-organize the Whig party; and in order; dulging too freely in it at tea-time. On those | further this re-organization, the party should

ous, us are gives rise to the most unhappy tical principles are involved. Especially as and severe consequences. It exerts a speci- I consider it the daty of our party to have fic influence over the functions of the brain, a candonate for ongress in this District and it is no unquestionable fact that when a The supremary of the Democratic party. decoction of it is given even in small quanti- was thought, was secured by the famous ties to the molerior animals, it destroys life. Gerrymander of the District, but Mr. Flour Taken as a medicine, it is often useful, but nov received a handsome majority, and the it can never be recognized as a salubrious of for milk or water; for those who

pitation of the heart, vertigo, sick-head-ache. the contest with an equal chance of success and a pannful feeling of sinking at the pit. The argum at I have beard used by one of the stomach after eating. It opposes ac- two, that it would be wrong to "run a candtire digestion, and consequently impedes date in between two Democra andidates nutrition, and those who are dyspeptic and appears to me to be perfectly fallacious. [1] thin in flesh should be the most cautious in not our opponents always have a candidate

earmor e considered otherwise than capricious; and there is not an one gent physi- any weight? Are we to remain along error who will say that Ten is wholesome as a hatamai drank; for four hit's of the nervous diseases which medical men have to treat arise from the copious use of it. This is . m a remarkable degree in regard to del-

cate tomales. Many of those complaints | certain that the Democrats will not have a ing om disorder of the nervous system, area ratch weary the ear of the husband, are caused by the free use of it by his wife, who sever for one moment imagines that her aches, pains, and whimsical apprehensions spring from her tea-bowl.

The Chinese were led to the use of Tea be ause of the unwholesomeness ters of their country, which they for

healthy, ferruginous, and disagreeable which were very much improved, ', coning is up, and the Richmond Convention will with the addition of some astringent herb .-Nothing seemed to answer the purpose so well as Tea but the Chinese, like the Eng lish and Hollanders, who use it excessively, suder exceedingly from nervous diseases, and those functional derangements of the actual disease, give rise to those feelings which prevent the individual from enjoying

What we have said of Tea is not less true of coffee, though were we to heed the language of an apostrophe written to it by bd-a, Kader Anasari Djezeri Hanbali, son of M disconned, we should readily suppose an natural n or decoction of Coffee to be cen for all the ills of flesh. Hear him ! toffee ' thou dispellest the care of the great; thou bringest back those who wander from bitume to him by the doorkeeper, stating that hug the paths of knowledge. Coffee is the beverage of the people of God, and the cordial of his servants who thirst for wisdom. When Coffee is infused into the bowl, it exhales the Mr. Buchahan is thinking of removing order of mask, and is of the color of ink .-this uncompromising compension with coals | Judge Sinclair, of I tah, should it prove to | The truth is not known except to the wise, who drink it from the foan to at less deprived fools of Coffee, who with

"t offee is our gold, and in the place of its The President is reported to be very much. Elactons we are in the enjoyment of the best it is only distinguished by its color. Tarry starte of harmoness.

"Every care vanishes when the cun-bearer presents the decicious chalice. It will circuate fleetly through thy yeins, and will not rankle there. If they doubtest this, contemplate the youth and beauty of those who drink it. Grief cannot exist where it grows;

evioffee is the drink of God's people; in it who doubt its qualities. In it will we drown our adversities, and in its fire consume our orrows. Whoever has once seen the blissful chalice, will scorn the wine-cup. Glorious drink! thy color is the seal of purity. and reason proclaims it genuine. Drink with confidence, and regard not the prattle of

Notwithstanding this elevated encomium, Coffee does not produce the pleasant effects ately taken it produces a cordial and stimulating effect, but used as it commonly is, it occasions nervous debility, feverishness, and philpitation. It is very injurious to young persons, especially to those of sanguine or bullous temperaments, and to melancholy dispositions. To women who suffer with those diseases neculiar to their sex, it acts like a poison, and constantly superinduces a disposition to hysterics and low-spirits. On stances are now and then presented where individuals have been rendered paralytic by This constitute nal provision has been end its imm derate use, and in more than one exciting cause of an attack of apoplexy. It and this irritation being kept up, finally self, and prevents it from performing its

What we have said of the effects of the use of Tea and Coffee is literally true; and if those who are so wedded to their use will but ticular, with an article of BEEF superior to make the effort to abandon them and substicome so persuaded of the above facts that they will not exchange a glass of milk or water for a gallon of infusion of Tea or Coffee; and they will not only feel better in every respect, but will not be likely to return to their use. As drinks in those cases of sickness upattended with delirium or wakegood substitute for wine or brandy when a gentle stir ulant is required.

Admitting, as all must do, that the use of maintenance of health, there is another strong reason against their use, and that is, the pecuniary expense which they incur.e families, small and large, who use Tea and Coffee at meals spend on an average at least thirty dollars a year for them; and this can be seen at the Marshall House, where he is thirty dollars per year put at compound in- remain a short time to enable citions be terest, will, at the expiration of twenty years, amount to nearly twelve hundred dollars, which sum would otherwise have been spent without the slightest benefit, but on the contrary, to the injury of health and spirits.

COMMUNICATI The Seventh Congressional District

The communication of "Fauquier," which or policy of the Whig and American party a effect which it produces on the nerve to use our utmost exertions to place these in to itations popularly recognized as nervibave candidates for all offices where not present Representative owed, at one time his election to the votes of the American y use it frequently suffer from pal- Such being the case, I think we might enter

no matter how small their minority, or how persistence in the use of it as a beverage many candidates there are on the opposiside? But, should such an argument have silent, and make no effort to regain our su premacy, or do battle for those principles which we sincerely cherish, and wish to see prevail, because our opponents may have two hampions in the field? And, again, is it Convention? I have heard it intimated that they would pursue such a policy, and that the former usage of the party will not again be suffered to be violated. Then, let us have a candidate, and let us go into the contest fearlesses and with a determination to suc ceed. Let the candidate, who er he may be party' Let him go to work, and let his friends work for him! The old Whig spire

> per exertions, you will be successful! A. WHIG A. exandria, Va., Feb. 1st, 1859

give it additional stimulus. While the iron is hot, strike and my word for it, with pro-

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time to be fixing upon some pinu for the cele bration of the Birth-day of Washington, i see by the Gazette, that the Mount Vernon Guards and Alexandria Riflemen intend parading on the 22nd, and I think a good plan would be, for each Military and Fire Com pany, and any other Association that may wish to take part in the proceedings, to appoint a committee of three, to meet at some convenient place, and consult as to the proliminary arrangements for a procession, ora tion, dinner, ball, or anything else. QUI VIVI

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